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## BOX PATENT APPLICATION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

As authorized by the inventor(s), transmitted herewith for filing is a patent application applied for on behalf of the inventor(s) according to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.41(c).

Inventor(s): PEZZANITI, Joseph L.; HARCHANKO, John S.;  
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For: COMMUNICATION SYSTEM AND METHOD TO AVOID LASER-  
PULSE BROADENING BY MULTI-PATH EFFECTS

Enclosed are:

- ☒ A specification consisting of thirty (30) pages
- ☒ Twelve (12) sheet(s) of formal drawings
- ☒ Applicant does not claim priority
- ☐ Applicant claims the right of priority based on Application No(s) \_\_\_\_\_ filed in \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_.
- ☐ Certified copy(ies) is(are) attached hereto.
- ☐ Certified copy(ies) will follow.

- ☒ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line thereof the following:
- a. ☐ --This nonprovisional application claims priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a) on Patent Application No. \_\_\_\_\_ filed in \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_, which is herein incorporated by reference.--
- b. ☐ --This nonprovisional application claims priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) on U.S. Provisional Application No. \_\_\_\_\_ filed on \_\_\_\_\_, which is herein incorporated by reference.--
- ☒ Executed Declaration in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.64 will follow
- ☒ Applicant claims small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27
- ☐ Preliminary Amendment
- ☐ Application Data Sheet in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.76
- ☐ Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-1449 and reference(s)
- ☒ Other: Information Sheet
- ☐ Applicant requests early publication - \$300.00 publication fee
- ☐ Non-publication Request and Certification under 35 U.S.C. § 122(b)(2)(B)(i)

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- ☒ The application transmitted herewith is filed in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.41(c). The undersigned has been authorized by the inventor(s) to file the present application. The original duly executed declaration together with the surcharge will be forwarded in due course.
- ☒ A check in the amount of \$373.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.
- ☐ Please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2448 in the amount of \$0.00. A triplicate copy of this transmittal form is enclosed.
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Respectfully submitted,

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